Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) 29th April 1937.

(*c*) As Government have reserved to themselves the power to make such transfers, this question does not arise.

(*d*) In view of the answer to part (*c*) this does not arise.

Promotion of graduates and undergraduates.

3. **Mr. T. Mahomed Ismail:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there is any order fixing a ratio between graduates and undergraduates for promotions in service: and

(*b*) whether this has been followed in the appointment of Inspectors and clerks in the Excise Department recently?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The order was not followed in the recent appointments, since a large number of undergraduate Sub-Inspectors had to be absorbed either as Inspectors or clerks.

Recruitment of Petty Officers.

4. **Mr. T. Mahomed Ismail:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have issued any order that graduates alone should be recruited as Petty Officers; and

(*b*) whether there is any instance when undergraduates are recruited as Petty Officers after the said order?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: (*a*) It has been ordered that, for direct recruitment as Petty Officers in the Intermediate Division, graduates alone should be selected.

(*b*) No appointment has been made in contravention of the above order.

Appointment of Munsiffs during the last 7 years.

5. **Mr. T. Mahomed Ismail:** (1) Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the Munsiffs appointed for the last seven years:

(2) (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether there is any from the Muslim community as Munsiff in the Judicial Department at present: and

(*b*) whether there was any application from Muslim candidates for appointment as Munsiff for the last seven years?

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